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6.	Cytomorphological studies in ber cultivars.	M.P.A.U. Rahuri.	The Scheme received on 14-8-92 is pending with ICAR as the Scientific Panel deferred the scheme for want of more desire information.
7.	Hydrological studies in Agricultural Watershed.	M.P.A.U. Rahuri.	Proposal received on 23-9-92 is being processed for consideration of Scientific Panel.
8.	Evaporatively Cooled Storage for some Fruits, Vegetables.	P.K.V. Akola	Considered by the Scientific Panel and revised proposal awaited.

Production of Agro-based items by NDDB

755. SHRI SATISH PRADHAN : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) that in the light of successful operation of production of milk and milk products and edible oil by NDDB whether Government would encourage NDDB to undertake production of other consumer agro-based items to help farming community in the Western Region of the country;

(b) if so, the details of proposal under consideration of Government to involve NDDB in agro-based production programme in the states of Western Region and Maharashtra State in particular; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI K. C. LENKA) : (a) to (c) It is already provided in the National Dairy Development Board Act, 1987 (No. 37 of 1987) that it shall be the duty and function of the National Dairy Development Board (NDDB) to promote plan and organise programmes for the purposes of development of dairy and other agriculture based and allied industries and biologicals on an intensive and nation-wide basis and to render assistance in the implementation of such programmes. The Government of Maharashtra has requested the NDDB to implement a Fruit and Vegetable Project in Bombay.

Seed Farms under National Seeds Corporation

756. DR. ABRAR AHMED :

SHRI JAGIR SINGH DARD :

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) the number of seed farms which are functioning at present under the National Seeds Corporation Ltd.;

(b) what are the details of profit/losses incurred by each of the farm during the last three years, year-wise; and

(c) if any farm is running into losses, the reasons therefor and how Government propose to improve the situation ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN): (a) The number of seed farms run by National Seeds Corporation (NSC) are as under :—

(i) Sainj Farm, Solan (H.P.).

(ii) Kathaganahally Farm, Bangalore (Karnataka).

(iii) Thangadencha Farm, Nandikotkur, Kurnool District (A.P.).